

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Upon entry of the foregoing Amendment to the Claims, claims 1-7, 9-22, 24-27, 29-30 and 32-35 are pending in the application, of which claims 1, 13, 24, and 25 are independent. Claims 23 and 31 are sought to be cancelled. No new matter is embraced by this amendment and its entry is respectfully requested. Based on the above Amendment and the remarks set forth below, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Examiner, on page 2 of the Final Office Action, has rejected claim 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants have cancelled claim 23, thereby rendering this rejection moot. Applicants believe that the application is now in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

Allowed Claims

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating, on page 2 of the Office Action, that claims 1-7, 9-22, 24-27, 29-30, and 32-35 are allowed. With the cancellation of claims 23 and 31, Applicants believe that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all currently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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